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Rachel Keene

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Gov. Washburn. Sir

My son Elden A. Spence  
enlisted in the U. S. service three  
months ago. he is not yet eighteen years  
of age, and it was with great hesitancy  
that I consented to his earnest appeal  
to go and fight for the good of the  
people. He is in the 2<sup>d</sup> Maine Regiment  
Co. C. I gave him a writ thinking it  
was only for three months as in fact  
it was but the time has been changed  
since. Now this boy is my only dependence  
I have taken boarders several years but  
the war has called them away, and I  
must have help. My object in writing  
is to get an honorable discharge for my  
son from the service.

Mrs. Keene  
I have also a bill against the state  
to the amount of \$87.50 for the boarding  
of Capt. Casro Co. This money would be  
very acceptable at the present time  
I really need it

Yours very respectfully

Mrs Rachel Keene

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Aug. 1861

Keene Mr Rachel

Asks for the discharge of her  
son from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Me. Vols



Mr. Keene  
Beverly  
Aug 6. <sup>18</sup>